

## OTTOMAN BANK RAIDERS ESCAPE.

Hold Directors Prisoners and Negotiate a Safe Conduct.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 28.—Among the officials who were in the Ottoman Bank when it was attacked by a mob on Wednesday was Sir Edgar Vincent, the Governor of the institution, but he was among the number who succeeded in making their escape.

Two of the bank Directors and several of the employes, however, were not so fortunate, and were seized by the Armenians, who held them prisoners with a view of enabling them to come to terms with the authorities.

The Armenians demanded that they be allowed to retain their revolvers and be furnished with safe conducts out of Turkey, and when these terms were conceded they yielded themselves up to Sir Edgar Vincent and were conveyed by the dragoman of the Russian Embassy on board of the bank Governor's yacht *Gulnare*.

This morning their departure was arranged by the various diplomats.

Concurrent with the attack upon the bank, a circular issued by the Armenian Revolutionary Committee was delivered at the various embassies announcing the intention of the Armenians to seize the bank and hold it for two days, during which time the powers must interfere to secure a settlement of Armenian affairs.

The circular stated that if the authorities attempted to force an entrance to the bank the captors of the building would destroy all the securities in the bank and blow up the building.

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